## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT EUGENE DISTRICT

1791A CE-03-09 OR 57936

## CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW

**Exception Criteria Review Checklist** 

Proposed Action: Right-of-way grant authorizing a fiber optic line be strung on an existing power line. Review the proposed action against each of the ten criteria listed below. If the project meets one or more of the criteria, it is an exception from categorical exclusion and MUST be analyzed in an EA or EIS. To qualify as a Categorical Exclusion the proposed action may not meet any of the criteria. If the criterion does not apply, indicate "Not Applicable." Any mitigation measures (such as contract stipulations or terms and conditions on permits) necessary to ensure that the proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion should be identified at the bottom of the page.

	Exception Criteria	<u>Comments</u>
1.	Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety	No
2.	Have adverse effects on unique resources (i.e., parks, recreation, refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, wetlands, flood plains, etc.)	No
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects	No
4.	Have highly uncertain environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks	No
5.	Establish a precedent that could result in significant impacts	No
6.	Be directly related to other actions having cumulatively significant effects	No
7.	Have adverse effects on cultural or historical resources	
8.	Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed as threatened or endangered or have adverse effect on designated critical habitat for these species.	None known
9.	Require compliance with E.O. 11988 (flood plain management), E.O. 11990 (protection of wetlands), or the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act	No
10.	Threaten to violate Federal, State, Local or Tribal law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment	No
Mitiga	tion measures needed to qualify as CE: None.	
Reviewed By: /s/ Don Wilbur		Date: <u>1/14/03</u>
Above n	nitigation measures have been adopted and will be implem	nented.
Field Manager:		Date:
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## DECISION RECORD CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW

<u>Background</u>: On September 19, 2002, Qwest Inc., applied for a grant to authorize a fiber optic line they had hung on existing power lines running along portions of the Row River Trail. The fiber optic line is hung on power lines operated by Lane Electric Cooperative and crosses BLM land in three places along the trail. The work has already been completed, there will be no construction or surface disturbance associated with this authorization.

<u>Proposed Action</u>: The proposed action is authorize an existing fiber optic line with a 30 year right-of-way grant pursuant to the authority of Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761), subject to the terms and conditions in 43 CFR 2801 and those additional stipulations in the attached Exhibit B. No construction or surface disturbance will be associated with the authorization of this action. No bonding should be required.

<u>Decision</u>: It is my decision to grant a right-of-way to Qwest Inc., authorizing a fiber optic line that is hung on existing Lane Electric Cooperative lines. The grant will be for a 30 year period, and crosses the following public land:

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The grant is made under the authority of Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761) and subject to the terms and conditions in 43 CFR 2801. The grant shall also be subject to the stipulations in the attached Exhibit B. The grant shall be issued in recordable form.

Rationale: The proposed action meets the criteria for the categorical exclusion in departmental manual 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4E(12)(Grants or rights-of-way wholly within the boundaries of other compatibly developed rights-of-way.), and none of the exceptions in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply. Further, the action is in conformance with the "Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl" (April 1994), and the "Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan" (May 1995).

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